

Mar 1, 1954

Right Recon nationalists  
opened fire from the gallery  
of the U.S. House of Representatives  
wounding 5 Congressmen.

Oct 22, 1954

West Germany joined the  
North Atlantic Treaty  
Organization,

Nov 10, 1954

The Iwo Jima Memorial  
was dedicated in Arlington, Va

Nov 12, 1954

Ellis Island closed after  
processing more than 30 million  
immigrants since opening  
in New York Harbor in 1892.

June 4, 1954

French Premier Joseph Laniel  
and Vietnamese Premier Buu  
Loc initialed treaties in Paris  
according "complete independence"  
to Vietnam.

June 24, 1954

The Atomic Energy Commission  
voted against reinstating Dr. J. Robert  
Oppenheimer's access to classified  
information.

Aug 18, 1954

Asst Sec. of Labor James E.  
Watkins became the first  
black to attend a meeting  
of a president's Cabinet  
as he sat in for Labor  
Secretary James P. Mitchell

Sept 30, 1954

The first atomic-powered vessel, the submarine Nautilus was commissioned by the Navy.



Mar. 9, 1954

CBS newsmen Edward R.  
Murrow critically reviewed  
Wisconsin Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's  
anti-Communism campaign  
on "See It Now."

1954

Congress voted after some  
controversy to insert the  
words "under God" into  
the Pledge of Allegiance. The  
revision took effect  
June 14, 1954

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Pres Dwight Eisenhower  
signed into law the  
Act putting the phrase  
"under God" within  
the phrase "one nation  
indivisible"

1954

World Population  
2.528 Billion People

July 21, 1954

France surrendered North  
Vietnam to the Communists.

June 14, 1954

Pres Eisenhower signed an  
order adding the words "under  
God" to the Pledge of Allegiance

June 9, 1954

Army Counsel Joseph N. Welch  
asked Sen. Joseph R. Mc Carthy:  
"Have you no sense of decency, Sir?"  
during the Senate-Army Hearings

Aug 30-31, 1954

Hurricane Carol

Immense tropical storm struck Long Island, New York and New England, leaving 68 persons dead and about \$200 million in property damage.



Oct 15-16, 1954

Hurricane Hazel

Violent Tropical Storm struck  
eastern Seaboard of U.S. And into  
Canada leaving 99 Americans  
and 249 Canadian dead and  
\$100 million in property damage

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Feb 23, 1954

The first mass inoculation  
of children against polio,  
with the Salk vaccine began  
in Pittsburgh.

1954

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Genetic Code of DNA

Concept proposed in 1954 by  
Russian - American physicist  
George Gamow (1904-1968)

Nov 9, 1954

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was dedicated in Arlington,  
Va.

Dec 11, 1954

## FORRESTAL

Largest warship ever built

Air Craft Carrier U.S.S. Forrestal  
(almost 60,000 Tons)

launched at Newport News.  
Va

1954

Hurricane HAZEL hit Haiti;  
Eastern U.S.A. 347 died.

May 17, 1954

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in its Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka decision that racially segregated public schools were inherently unequal.



May 6, 1954

medical student Roger Bennett  
broke the 4 min mile during  
a track meet in Oxford  
England, in 3 min 59.4 sec.

26 MAY 1954

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MASS Polio Vaccine  
Tested

1954

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1954

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French were defeated in Indo-China.

Beginning of uprising in  
Algeria

May 6, 1954

Medical student Roger Bannister  
broke the four-minute mile during  
a track meet in Oxford, England,  
with 3:59.4

Jan 21, 1954

The first atomic submarine,  
the USS Nautilus was launched  
at Groton, Conn.

1954

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The Hey office granted to English  
speaking Catholics in the U.S.  
and Canada the use of English

May 6, 1954

Bannister's Mile  
British Athlete Roger Bannister  
(Mar 23, 1929 - ?) became  
1st man in history to run  
a mile in under 4 min  
(3:59.4) at Oxford England



May 13, 1954

Pres. Eisenhower signed into law  
the St. Lawrence Seaway Development  
Act.

Aug. 31, 1954

Hurricane Carol hit the northeastern United States, resulting in nearly 70 deaths.

Aug 24, 1954

The Communist Control Act went into effect virtually outlawing the Communist Party in the United States.

May 7, 1954

The 55-day Battle of Dien Phu  
in Vietnam ended with  
Vietnamese insurgents overrunning  
French forces.

Nov 1, 1954

Queenship of Mary  
Pope Pius XII proclaimed  
Feast of the Blessed Mother, Queen, Mary  
to be celebrated yearly May 31

1954-55

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Mendes-France  
was French premier

1954-55

Amelia  
Celebration of Tercentenary  
of Jeno in U.S.

1954-1968

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Mass immigration of  
North African Jews to  
France



Dec 2, 1954

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The Senate voted to condemn  
Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis.  
for "conduct that tends to bring  
the Senate into disrepute and disrepute"

1954

Siege of Dien Bien Phu by the Viet Minh.  
Its fall marked the end of French  
colonial rule in Southeast Asia.

French elite troops in Indochina created  
a fortified complex in an isolated but strategically  
crucial location, in the hope of exhausting  
the Viet Minh through a costly siege. Instead,  
arrangements for supplying the garrison  
broke down and they eventually

surrendered, in effect ending the war.

1954

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Late Summer

Boston's North End  
Hurricane Carol blew off  
the steeple of the Old North  
Church

1954

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Dr. Melvin A. Cook proved  
major discrepancies in the  
time clock of Carbon 14, resulting  
sometimes in preposterous test  
conclusions.

Mar 13 - May 7, 1954

Battle of DIENBIEN PHU  
had major battle between  
French and Vietminh forces  
of Ho Chi Minh (May 19, 1890 -  
Sep 3, 1969). About 50,000  
Vietminh forces assaulted  
French military base  
of Dienbienphu (3/13/1954). French  
surrendered after 56 day siege. French  
domination of Vietnam ended May 7, 1954.

Nov 12, 1954

Ellis Island closed, after processing more than 20 million immigrants since opening in New York Harbor in 1892

1954

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A Catholic translation of the Bible  
from the Greek was made  
by Fathers J. A. Kleist, S.J. Lilly;  
J. L. Lilly



1954

Yi (Chinese people) have 2 separate New Year celebrations - one in summer & 1 in winter.

The 10 month Yi Calendar was still being used. in remote Yi villages

1954

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Dr. Jonas Salk started inoculating  
children against Polio.

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June 16, 1955

Pope Pius XII excommunicated  
Argentina - President Juan Domingo  
Peron - a ban that was  
lifted 8 yrs. later.

July 11, 1955

The U.S. Air Force Academy  
was dedicated at Lowry  
Air Base in Colorado.

1954-55

Emigration of Jews from Morocco  
to Israel